



St Joseph's Church Wealdstone and Harrow Weald

Served by the Society of the Divine Saviour – The Salvatorians

Parish Priest: Father Thomas Malal SDS

Assistant Priests: Father Frank Waters SDS; Father Mario Lainez SDS

191 High Road, Harrow Weald, HA3 5EE

Tel: 020 8427 1955, email: office@catholicwealdstone.org

Parish Office: Monday 9am-2pm; Wed, Thurs & Fri 9am-4pm

www.catholicwealdstone.org

Also in the Parish: Sisters of Our Lady of the Missions

108 Spencer Road, Harrow Weald, HA3 7AR

Salvatorian Trustees Registered Charity No 231410



First Sunday of Advent

3rd December 2023



In this new Liturgical Year, the Church not only wishes to indicate the beginning of a period, but the beginning of a renewed commitment to Christ, the Lord. This time of prayer and path of penance that is so powerful, rich and intense, endeavours to give us a renewed impetus to truly welcome the message of the One who became flesh for us. In fact, the entire Liturgy of the Advent season, will spur us to an awakening in our Christian life and will put us in a 'vigilant' disposition, to wait for Our Lord Jesus who is coming.

Parish Council Meeting

There will be a Parish Council Meeting on Wednesday 13th December at 7pm in the Parish Hall. Everyone Welcome.

Pope's Intention for December

We pray that people living with disabilities may be at the centre of attention in society, and that institutions may offer inclusive programmes which value their active participation.

Rosary intention for December

We pray for graces to Love and Forgive each other.

Form Signing

Mondays & Wednesdays 6-7pm

YOUR MASSES

Cycle of Readings Year A; Weekday Year I

Monday: 7.30 & 10.00: Mass

Tuesday: 7.30 & 10.00: Mass

Wednesday: 7.30 & Mass: Mass

Thursday: **St Ambrose, Bishop & Doctor**

7.30 & 10.00: Mass

Friday: **The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

7.30 & 10.00: Mass

Saturday: 10:00: Mass

5:15 Adoration

6pm: Vigil Mass

Sunday: **2nd Sunday of Advent**

8.15; 9.30; 11.00 & 12.30.

Livestreaming link:

<https://youtube.com/@stjosephsharrow>

Confessions: Saturday after 10am Mass and during Adoration (5.15-5.45pm) before Mass



Salvatorian Fathers

Provincial Chapter 2023

The Provincial Chapter will take place on 4th and 5th December. The Fathers will join us for the 10.00am Mass on Monday and Tuesday.

Please pray for the Fathers as they meet together, that the Lord may continue to bless and guide them in their work in the UK and abroad.



St Joseph's Christmas Services

Cards with a list of our Christmas Services will be available shortly.

Repository

Christmas gifts and cards on sale now.

Christmas Hamper Project 2023



If you know of any individuals or families who would benefit from a Christmas Hamper this year, please take a Nomination Form from the back of the church and return it to the Salvatorian College by this Friday 8th December. To help make this project a success, we will need donations of long-life food & gifts to fill the hampers and volunteers to help with deliveries. Donations can be brought to the Presbytery or Salvatorian College. Many thanks in advance for your generosity and support.

Parish Sacraments 2024

Candidates for First Holy Communion & Confirmation must have their Mass Attendance cards signed after weekend Masses.



Coffee Morning

There will be a coffee morning after all Masses **TODAY** in support of the St Vincent de Paul Society. All most welcome.

Family Bingo raised £223 and the Coffee morning raised £141, making a total of **£364** for the Parish Lourdes Fund. Grateful thanks to all who came along and for all the donations. Your support is very much appreciated. Our next Family Bingo is **Friday 15th December 7.30 for 8.00 start.**

Feast of St Francis Xavier



Our Goan Community will celebrate this Feast at the 12.30 Mass **today Sunday 3rd December.** A social gathering will be held in the Salvatorian Canteen after Mass.

Tickets available from Oscar: 07917 020380 or Hyacinth 07541 448659.

Young Readers

There will be a 'Young Readers' follow up meeting on Sunday 17th December at 5.30pm, in the Church.

Salvatorian College: Carols by Candlelight

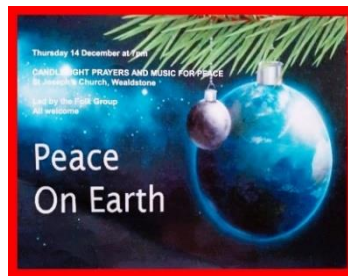
The service will take place at 5pm this **Thursday (7th December)** in St Joseph's Church. Parishioners are warmly invited to attend to hear the Christmas Story, read and performed by the pupils of the College. The service will be followed by seasonal refreshments. Admission is by **Free ticket only** which can be reserved by calling 020 8863 2706, visiting the College office, or online via bit.ly/salvochristmas2023.



Christmas Afternoon Tea

Please join us for a luxury Afternoon Tea in the Parish Hall next Sunday 10th December, from 2-4pm. Tickets, costing £15.00, are available to buy from the Presbytery. This price includes Sandwiches, 'Christmas nibbles', Smoked Salmon & Bagels, Mince Pies, & Christmas cake, Tea, Coffee, Bucks Fizz, Mulled Wine and music.

Only 10 tickets remaining!



The Folk Group **Candlelight, Prayers & Music Service for Peace** is on Thursday 14th December at 7pm.

All most welcome.



Sanctuary Lamp Intentions

2 lamps constantly burn before the tabernacle to indicate the presence of Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. The candles burn for 7 days - Sat to Sat. These may be offered for intentions at £10 each. Enquire at the Presbytery.

1. Anne Kelly+(birthday)
2. Private Ints



Appeal for Holly

Please bring holly, to decorate the church, by Sunday 10th December – please leave in the porch.

Offertory Collection: 26th Nov £1,850. Many thanks

The Three Wishes, Wealdstone

The Three Wishes Pub invite OAP's to a free Christmas Lunch on Friday 8th December. A luxury raffle will also be held in aid of MacMillan – tickets available from The Three Wishes and Lucella.

Recently Deceased

John Joseph Lynch (husband of Anne). Funeral: Monday 18th December at 10.00am followed by burial at Woodcock Hill Cemetery.

Ministers of Communion Rota

3rd Sat 18.00 Albertina 8.15: 9.30 J Donohue 11.00
Minister Req 12.30 Minister Req.

Readers' Rota

3rd Sat 18.00 Eileen, Carol 8.15 E Arjune, E Amalathas 9.30 A Antony, J Antony 11.00 Maureen Kelly 12.30 G Simpungwe, Ellie.